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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC.

We have chosen our local internet provider, LMI in Berkeley, CA, because we want to support small local businesses and because of they way they run their business: with honesty, integrity and excellent public service. We currently have DSL and it is too slow to meet the needs of our family, and we have been waiting with great excitement for fiber to be installed and to begin receiving it from our competitive provider.

The recent petition submitted to the FCC by the US Telecom Association would jeopardize our ability to choose a competitive provider and receive high-speed internet. It could FORCE us to go with one of the very few mega-companies. We would not be able to support local businesses or choose to work with businesses who represent values that we share.

It is un-American and unfair to allow the large corporations to limit competition like this. Please oppose this petition.

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